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SUMMARY. CCD CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF ORGANIZATION OF
WORK AT INFORMAL MEETINGS ON MARCH 30 AND APRIL 1 AND 2.

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MEETINGS FOCUSED ON PROPOSALS BY GROUP OF 15 CONCERN-

ING REPORT, CREATION OF SUBCOMMITTEE, AND IMPROVEMENT OF COMMITTEE COMMUNIQUE (REFTEL). DISAGREEMENT OVER SUBCOMMITTEE PREVENTED CCD FROM ACCEPTING OVERALL PROPOSAL, DESPITE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON OTHER TWO ELEMENTS. END SUMMARY.

1. FOLLOWING IFORMAL DISCUSSION INVOLVING MARTIN (US), MISHRA (INDIA), AND ROSHCIN (USSR), COMPROMISE FORMULATIONS WERE DEVELOPED ON QUESTIONS OF REPORT AND COMMUNIQUE. PROPOSED DECISION ON PREPARATION OF 1976 REPORT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO NONALIGNED PROPOSAL REPORTED REFTEL, WITH FOLLOWING DIFFERENCES: (A) PARA 3(D) WOULD NOW PROVIDE FOR INCLUSION OF "SIGNIFICANT VIEWS" OF DELEGATIONS UNDER EACH AGENDA ITEM, "INCLUDING THEIR ANALYSIS, IF ANY, OF THE ISSUES DISCUSSED." IT THUS AVOID PROBLEMS OF DETERMINING MEANING OF "REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENTS" AND DOES NOT INVITE DELEGATION ASSESSMENTS OF MANNER IN WHICH CCD HAS CONDUCTED ITS WORK. (B) REFLECTING US-PROPOSED REVISION, PARA 4 NOW PROVIDES THAT CCD "WILL CONSIDER" ITS DRAFT REPORT DURING FINAL WEEK OF SUMMER SESSION (RATHER THAN "DEVOTE" THE LAST WEEK TO REPORT) AND SIMPLY REQUESTS DELEGATIONS MAKING SUBSTANTIVE STATEMENTS DURING FINAL WEEK TO PROVIDE BRIEF SUMMARIES, WITHOUT ASKING THEM TO "REFRAIN AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE" FROM MAKING SUCH STATEMENTS. MISHRA MET SOVIET OBJECTION TO OMISSION OF REFERENCE TO SIGNATURE OF REPORT BY CO-CHAIRMEN BY STATEMENT THAT STANDING PRACTICE OF CO-CHAIRMEN'S SIGNATURE WOULD BE RETAINED UNLESS COMMITTEE AGREED BY CONSENSUS TO CHANGE THE PROCEDURE. (NO DELEGATION HAS, PUBLICLY AT LEAST, PRESSED FOR A CHANGE IN THIS PROCEDURE.)

2. PROPOSED DECISION ON COMMUNIQUE ALSO RESEMBLES NONALIGNED PROPOSAL, BUT COMMUNIQUE WOULD REFER ONLY TO TOPICS ADDRESSED BY SPEAKERS RATHER THAN ATTEMPT SUMMARY OF THEIR STATEMENTS.

3. WHILE THESE TWO FORMULAS WERE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE, NONALIGNED (ESPECIALLY ARGENTINA AND MEXICO) HAVE INSISTED THAT DECISION ON REPORT AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COMMUNIQUE MUST BE TAKEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH AGREEMENT ON SUBCOMMITTEE QUESTION. AT MISHRA-MARTIN-ROSHCHIN MEETING, ROSHCIN SAID HE HAD INSTRUCTIONS FROM MOSCOW NOT TO AGREE TO CREATION OF A SUBCOMMITTEE, WHICH WOULD, HE SAID, RAISE ADMINISTRATIVE, PROCEDURAL, AND POLITICAL PROBLEMS, AS WELL AS UNDULY COMPLICATE THE WORK OF THE CCD. IN DISCUSSION, HOWEVER, HE AGREED TO PROVISION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP DURING THE

SUMMER SESSION TO CARRY OUT NEGOTIATIONS (OR TO "DEVELOP FINAL TEXT") OF ENMOD CONVENTION. MISHRA DOUBTED NONALIGNED WOULD AGREE TO TITLE "WORKING GROUP"; ROSHCIN WOULD NOT AGREE TO "SUBCOMMITTEE."

4. WHEN SUBCOMMITTEE PROPOSAL EMERGED FROM NONALIGNED REVIEW, IT RETAINED "SUBCOMMITTEE" LABEL AND, ALTHOUGH TITLE OF PROPOSED DECISION READ "ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR 1976", PROPOSAL PROVIDED FOR CREATION OF SUBCOMMITTEE "TO NEGOTIATE SPECIFIC TEXTS OF DRAFT CONVENTIONS, TREATIES AND AGREEMENTS." ORGANIZATION OF SUBCOMMITTEE, ITS PROCEDURES, AND ITS SYSTEM OF CHAIRMANSHIP WOULD BE DETERMINED BY CCD. IT WOULD HAVE RECORDS "AS APPROPRIATE" AND SUBMIT REPORT(S) TO CCD. LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEE WOULD BE DETERMINED BY EACH DELEGATION. MEETINGS OF SUBCOMMITTEE WOULD BE HELD "WITHOUT HAMPERING" REGULAR OR INFORMAL MEETINGS OF CCD.

5. DESPITE INTENSIVE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN SOVIETS AND ARGENTINES, WITH ASSISTANCE OF INDIA, CANADA, AND US, NO COMPROMISE ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH SIDES WAS FOUND BY APRIL 2. COMMITTEE THEREFORE AGREED TO SET UP "CONTACT GROUP" TO SEEK A SOLUTION TO PROBLEM BEFORE ANY FURTHER INFORMAL MEETING IS SCHEDULED. CONTACT GROUP DOES NOT HAVE SPECIFIED MEMBERSHIP, ALTHOUGH US, CANADA, FRG, USSR, GDR, ROMANIA, ARGENTINA, MEXICO, AND INDIA WILL PROBABLY BE PARTICIPANTS. MARTIN, BARTON (CANADA), AND ROSHCIN WILL MEET TUESDAY, APRIL 6, TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES FOR COMPROMISE TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN CONTACT GROUP MEETS. DALE

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